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In Re the Application of:

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FOR PROVIDING A USER SELECTABLE START-UP

CURRENT IN A DISK DRIVE"

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REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of three (3) months in which to respond to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2005, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the period for response from September 3, 2005 to December 3, 2005.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the credit card identified on the enclosed Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$1020.00 for the fees associated with Fee Code 1253 in connection with payment of the extension fee. Applicants believe that no other fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for any fee deficiencies associated with filing this paper.

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